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Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Continuation Application being filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b), based upon Serial No. 09/590,793 filed June 8, 2000, which is a Continuation-In-Part of Serial No. 09/122,243 filed July 24, 1998, now Patent No. 6,165,194.

Entry of the following amendments prior to examination of the application is respectfully requested.